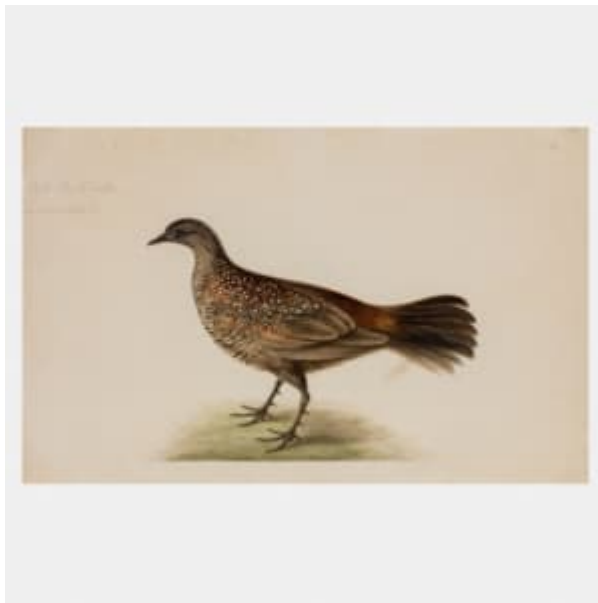


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## **Company School Watercolour of a Male Painted Spurfowl**

India, First half of the 19th century

Watercolour on European paper

30.8cm high, 48.8cm wide

Male Painted Spurfowl (*Galloperdix lunulata*)

Erroneously labelled as a different member of the pheasant family, 'Hill Partridge' (*Arborophila torqueola*), this is the male painted spurfowl. Though the two species look similar, the bird in the painting is identified as a spurfowl from the eponymous spurs on its tarsus, or the back of the leg.